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FOLLOWING IS U.S. MISSION GENEVA'S CONTRIBUTION FOR THE
"BUREAU ACTIVITIES" SECTION OF THE NEWSLETTER FOR THEIR PERIOD
ENDING JULY 15.

1. AMBASSADOR DALE, WHO SERVED AS ALTERNATE ON THE U.S.
DELEGATION TO UNCTAD IV IN NAIROBI, TRAVELED TO THE HAGUE,
HELSINKI AND STOCKHOLM JUNE 18-23 TO MEET WITH GOVERNMENT
OFFICIALS AND LOCAL AND AMERICAN BUSINESSMEN IN EACH CITY TO
DISCUSS THE OUTCOME OF UNCTAD IV.

2. ON JUNE 26 MARINES OF THE MARINE SECURITY GUARD DETAIL
AT THE U.S. MISSION IN GENEVA CELEBRATED THE BICENTENNIAL BY
GRUNNING IN RELAYS, A TOTAL OF 200 KMS -- THE EXACT DISTANCE
AROUND LAKE LEMAN -- ONE FOR EACH YEAR OF U.S. INDEPENDENCE.
TWENTY-TWO MARINES PARTICIPATED, EACH ONE RUNNING A MINIMUM
OF 7 KILOMETERS. THE MARINES PASSED AN AMERICAN FLAG
FROM ONE TO THE OTHER. THE ENTIRE RUN TOOK 14-1/2
HOURS. THE LAST LEG OF THE RUN WAS MADE BY AMB. DALE,
ACCOMPANIED BY 17 OF THE MARINES -- ALL OF WHOM CROSSED
THE FINISH LINE TOGETTFM

3. DEPUTY ASSISTANT SECRETARY DONALD TOUSSAINT ATTENDED
THE GENEVA GENERAL GROUP MEETINGS HELD IN GENEVA JUNE 27
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TO JULY 1. MR. TOUSSAINT TOOK ADVANTAGE OF HIS VISIT TO REVIEW ITEMS OF SUBSTANCE WITH MISSION LIAISON OFFICERS TO SPECIALIZED AGENCIES.

4. GENEVA'S 14-MONTH-LONG BICENTENNIAL CELEBRATION REACHED A CLIMAX DURING THE FOURTH OF JULY WEEKEND. ON SATURDAY, JULY 3, THE TWO-DAY CELEBRATION OPENED WITH A JUNIOR OLYMPICS COMPETITION FOR YOUNGSTERS FROM THE AMERICAN AND INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY. A GALA BALL ON THE EVE OF JULY 4 WAS ATTENDED BY 400 SWISS/AMERICAN GUESTS. JULY 4 FESTIVITIES ATTENDED BY AN ESTIMATED 45,000, AT GENEVA'S CHAMPEL STADIUM FEATURED SCOUTVILLE, MAJORETTES FROM FRANCE, A HOT DOG SKI DEMONSTRATION, "CHIEF ILLINIWEK" (INDIAN DANCER FROM THE UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS), MANNED GLIDERS FROM GENEVA'S LE SALEVE MOUNTAIN. THE SWISS NATIONAL PARACHUTE TEAM, AN EAGLE SCOUT COURT OF HONOR, A CALIFORNIA JAZZ BAND, AND SEVERAL PATRIOTIC SPEECHES. AMBASSADORS FRANCIS L. DALE, WILLIAM N. WALKER (MTN), JOSEPH MARTIN, JR., (CCD) SHARED IN THE CUTTING OF THE HUGE BICENTENNIAL CAKE. OTHER EVENTS DURING THIS PERIOD INCLUDED A PRAYER BREAKFAST, A BIKE-CENTENNIAL, AND A FILM SHOWING OF THE BROADWAY MUSICAL "1776".

5. MINPSTER COUNSELOR ROBERT BRUNGART, WHO ACTED AS GROUP B SPOKESMAN ON THE TRADE NEGOTIATING COMMITTEE AT NAIROBI, TRAVELED TO BUCHAREST, ROMANIA, JULY 9-10, TO PARTICIPATE IN DISCUSSION GROUPS ORGANIZED BY USIS TO REVIEW AND APPRAISE RESULTS OF UNCTAD IV. DALE

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